

# Retention rate among Ontario's best

By Max Lowenthal

A program at Conestoga College has a solid way to help students retain the school's supportive reputation.

First-year students through out Conestoga College will be asked to fill out surveys before and after the end of January as part of a student retention program and Frank Abel, the dean, says he is confident.

The college has had one of the three lowest drop-out rates of the three Ontario colleges in 1985. Abel, however, is not sure that the college's retention rate is the best. He says he is not sure if the college's retention rate is the best. He says he is not sure if the college's retention rate is the best.

the college is well prepared to do the best thing.

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Frank Abel

# SPOKE

Conestoga College, Monday, January 11, 1988

Featuring a pair of sports teams in our student edition of 1 hour Sunday



Photo by John de Boer/Photo

## Slick three-seater

Shelly Libeck, a 19-year-old BSC student, takes three children for an afternoon ride at Dunes campus (See 12)

## Strike vote possible Feb. 18

By John McCurdy

The union representing all community college teachers, the Ontario College Teachers' Association, has called a strike vote for Feb. 18.

The association was notified about the vote by the Ontario College Teachers' Association, which represents the OCFTEU's negotiating team, and that the vote is possible.

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## DSA ready for January

'Best pub of the year' slated for 21st

By Jamie Pearson

History is a fun always, and that's what the DSA is all about. The DSA is all about history. The DSA is all about history.

A day filled with fun and games is planned on the 21st. The DSA is all about history. The DSA is all about history.



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## Viewpoint

By Jim Ovington

## Apathy reigns

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## OPINION

## One day at a Community College parking lot



## You tell us:

## How do you feel about Sunday shopping?

"It's a good idea that if I have to work, I'll go to work Sunday."

—Chris De Cade, manager

—Joe, second year

"I don't want to work Sunday."

—Jeff Hestinger, LAH, second year

"I don't think they should, they are not used to it."

—Steve Fitzgerald, marketing student



—Chris De Cade, manager

—Joe, second year



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"Being a manager, I feel I should have the right to shop any day including Sunday."

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## Post-holiday reality a little bit hard to take



By Tony Reinhart

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# 1987 Retrospective

## Women's Basketball

Cowabunga College's weekly women's basketball team was down a primary year in their playing time during 1987.

The Cowabunga ended what is first season in its a delightful way by losing both games 19-20 and 20-21, to Wheaton and Grapewick College during the 1987 Cowabunga College Athletic Association (NCAA) Division II (NCAA) season. The Cowabunga played, Day 1 and 2 to North Bay.

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Cowabunga's Jay McDonald prepares the team for an attack.

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## Women's Softball

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Cowabunga pitcher Sandra Smith delivers a pitch during softball action Oct. 10 against Grapewick College. Photo by Susan Perle, Sports.

## Coach's Corner

"We were better than I expected to be. They played excellent." Coach Mike Van Dine said after the team's first game on March 10, 1987, against Grapewick College. The team played its first game on March 10, 1987, against Grapewick College.

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## Women's Volleyball

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**Male athlete  
of the week  
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**David Fontaine**  
Fontaine is a member of Kitchener's Ont. provincial team goals and both points during the Ontario 744 defeat of John Gosselin's College Dec. 5 in International Collegiate Hockey League (ICHL) action.

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